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Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 2, 2005, please consider the remarks as submitted herewith on the accompanying pages. A Terminal Disclaimer is being submitted herewith.

REMARKS

Claims 17, 18 and 21-44 are pending in the application.

Claims 17, 25, 26, 28-30, 32, 34, 39-40, and 42-43 have been rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as allegedly being unpatentable over claims 1-27 of U.S. Patent No. 6,893,714 ("U.S. '714").

While Applicants respectfully submit that the present invention is not obvious over the claims of U.S. Patent No. 6,893,714, to expedite allowance of the present Application, Applicants are submitting herewith a terminal disclaimer to obviate the obviousness-type double